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(CO)POLYMERIZATION OF OLEFINS )

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This is a preliminary amendment to Docket No. U.S. 18026, which is the U.S. national phase of International Application PCT/EP00/01924, filed March 6, 2000.

Please enter the amended paragraphs of the specification as indicated below.

In the Specification

On page 23 of the international application, delete the second full paragraph and insert in its place:

Further alumoxanes suitable as activating agents in the process of the present invention are alkylhaloaluminoxanes, as described in WO 00/22007, and in particular 1,3-dichloro-1,3-diethyldialuminoxane [EtAlCl]<sub>2</sub>O and 1,3-dichloro-1,3-diisobutylaluminoxane [iBuAlCl]<sub>2</sub>O.

On page 27, delete the fifth paragraph and insert in its place: